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REMARKS

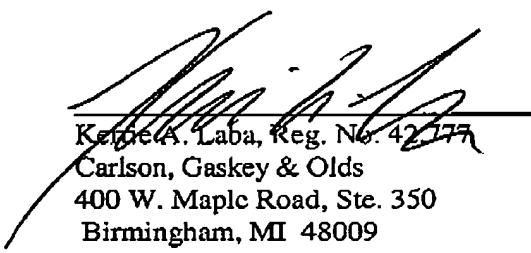
Claims 1-18 remain in the application including independent claims 1, 15, and 16. Claims 16-18 have been allowed. Claim 15 is indicated as allowable. Claim 15 has been rewritten in independent form.

Claims 1-6 and 8-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by JP 57208331. Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the second brake portion has a second radial inner wall that is positioned further away from the axis of rotation than the first radial inner wall of the annular mounting flange in a manner similar to that set forth in claim 16, which has been allowed. Thus, applicant asserts that claims 1-14 are also now in condition for allowance.

Claim 7 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over JP 57208331 in view of JP 2000240695. This rejection is moot in light of the amendments made above.

Applicant believes that all claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests an indication of such. Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,


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